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COURT CONTROL BILL MOVES UP

Approval by the Senate Judiciary Committee a few days ago of a bill providing that Federal legislation shall not nullify state legislation — in the same field — unless Congress so specifies, is a major achievement of the second session of the Eighty-Fourth Congress.

The bill was introduced in February by eleven Senators, all Southerners. The bill is known as the McClellan bill, named after the Arkansas Democrat and is strongly supported by those now concerned over the apparent usurpation of state powers by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Despite the fact that prospects for the bill are not too bright, we believe it is a good thing for the issue to be brought up, and brought to the nation's attention. And, in spite of the fact that the bill was authored by eleven Southern Senators, it is reported that the Senate Judiciary Committee passed the measure by a whooping 7-to-2 margin. Those included among the seven voting for the bill were Senator O'Mahoney, Democrat of Wyoming, Jenner, Republican of Indiana, Watkins, Republican of Utah, Dirksen, Republican of Illinois, and Butler, Republican of Maryland.

So the bill did get bi-partisan and much more than sectional approval in the Senate Judiciary Committee, where it has been studied closely in recent weeks and months. It would be a good thing for the country if the bill were approved by both Houses and signed by the President.

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PRESSURE ON MANTLE

Ever since the New York Yankees' sensational outfielder, Mickey Mantle, began this season with a spurt that put him out in front of Babe Ruth's home-run pace, pressure has increased on the blonde slugger.

Writers have assessed his chances from every angle, and many of them have come to the conclusion that Mickey cannot possibly outdo the Babe because of the fact that Babe Ruth's magical 60 home-runs becomes a mental obstacle, especially toward the end of the season, when a batter is trying to break the mark.

Hank Greenberg, for example, hit 57 home-runs in one season. Mantle, who is not quite at the half-way mark, as far as the Babe's record is concerned, has a good chance to top the Babe's figure because he doesn't necessarily have to have a good pitch with which to connect. As an example, he recently hit a high inside pitch out of the stadium in Detroit, over the right centerfield stands. It was the first ball ever sent out of the stadium over the right centerfield stands.

Such feats are nothing new for Mantle. In fact, barring injuries, we think there is a fair chance Mantle may break the magical barrier of sixty home-runs which was set by the Babe in another era, just a few years ago.

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LET'S SAVE LIVES

Now that the summer vacation season is upon us, it may not be amiss for us to repeat the old warning that careful driving is what the nation needs if it is to reduce the horrible coat of speed on our highways.

One hundred, or more, Americans die every day in payment of the price for modern, high-speed transporation. It is strange that the public is so apathetic to this loss of life, and that the injured are hardly noticed by the people generally. If some strange, unknown disease took a hundred victims a day in the United States, there would be a hysterical reign of terror throughout the nation.

Every state, city and county furnished its quota of victims to the automobile - highway toll every year. With the best of intentions, we continue to permit drunken drivers to operate cars and get off relatively free when apprehended. We like to think that we can violate traffic regulations without having to pay the penalty. It is time, however, that we got rid of this foolish notion.

Rigid enforcement of every traffic regulation, with stiff fines imposed for minor violations, would do much to make the average automobile driver more safety-conscious. Let's support the work of our traffic officers and give them the satisfaction of knowing that we are behind them when they arrest careless and reckless drivers.

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WHAT ABOUT COLLEGE?

Schools have just completed another session and all over the nation young people will go into the business world in the hope of making money. Too many of them will stop their scholastic training at the end of high school days, without realizing the tremendous advantages that will come to them by pursuing their way through college.

The Times-Virginian does not recommend a college course for every graduate of a high school. There was a time when people thought this was a good idea, but, undoubtedly, there are some boys and girls who will not take advantage of the educational opportunities they can obtain. These young people might as well go to work, whether they are the sons and daughters of rich or poor parents.

At the same time, we would urge all students who have completed high school courses, to give serious thought to the possibility of attending some rated college. The right institution, and the right personal application, could make all the difference in your future life.

If a college education seems impossible to some young people—because of financial reasons—let us remind them that "where there's a will, there's a way." Scholarships, loans and aid of various kinds are available to the student who sincerely desires an education.

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If the entire population of Appomattox County would trade at home for one month, everyone would be surprised at the difference in business it would make.

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Business is like a rat trap. Set out the trap without bait and you won't catch anything. The bait for business is advertising.

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Every special group has special reasons to justify its special demands for special privileges.

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Nothing indicates approval of a newspaper like a subscription check.

Washington Notes

FERTILIZER

Farmers of the world are using more than twice as much commercial fertilizer as they used before World War II, according to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. Exclusive of the Soviet Union, world consumption of nitrogenous fertilizers has increased from 2,400,000 metric tons in 1939 to 5,800,000 in the twelve-month period ended July, 1955. A metric ton is 2,204.6 pounds.

FARM EQUIPMENT

The farm equipment industry is finding business soft today, with farmers holding off buying machinery. Sagging sales, mounting layoffs, and high inventories plague most of the companies, with prospects that these conditions will not improve during the balance of this year.

GERMAN UNITY

President Eisenhower, in a ten-minute meeting with Chancellor Adenauer, of Germany, told the German leader that he hopes for "early action" on reunification of Germany to libertate the 17,000,000 Germans in the Eastern zone.

B-52's

The Air Force, increasing its goal by 100, now hopes to have 600 long-range B-52 bombers by 1959, according to Lieut. Gen. C. S. Irvine, deputy chief of staff in charge of of Air Force Production. Irvine also expressed the "personal feeling" that this country still holds an overall lead over Russia in air power, but, unless positive action is taken, "they are going to be ahead of us in all areas."

WHEAT

This year's Government-restricted wheat crop has been estimated at 922,672,000 bushels by the Agriculture Department. This is the first estimate for the full crop and compares with 938,155,000 bushels produced last year, and 1,146,547000 for the ten - year (1945-54) average.

4-YEAR CONGRESS?

The Woman's National Republican Club is urging that the GOP platform include a plank favoring a four-year term for members of the House of Representatives. The recommendation, based on a poll of the group's nationwide membership, declared that "under the present two-year system, congressmen are handicapped in the performance of their duties by the necessity of devoting so much time to campaigning for re-election during the second year of their term."

NEW ARMY FLAG

After seven major wars and 145 campaigns, the Army has a flag of its own. Vice President Richard Nixon presented the standard on the eve of Flag Day and the flag is of white silk, upon which is embroidered in blue the seal of the Department of the Army—the same seal used by the old War Department. Beneath the seal is a red scroll bearing the inscription in white letters, United States Army. Beneath the scroll is "1775."

FLUVANNA LAKE IS DEDICATED

Dedication of Fluvanna County's new Raritan Lake, a public fishing pond, took place 6 P. M., June 19, on a beautiful eminence overlooking the 70-acre pond. I. T. Quinn, executive director of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, delivered the dedication address. Prior to his talk, fried chicken and other delicacies were served from a long table to the hosts of citizens from Charlottesville, headed by former Governor John S. Battle, was present.

It will be recalled, according to Quinn, that the present program of the construction of public fishing ponds was inaugurated during Governor Battle's administration. Governor Battle still takes pride in this program, which was one of the many fine things accomplished during his term of office.

Most of the donors of the land on which the lake was constructed were present at the opening exercises, including Earl Perkins, of Fluvanna County and Mrs. Winston Parker, of Williamsburg. The opening fishing day was June 20, and hundreds of people throughout Fluvanna and adjacent counties turned out then to attest to the pleasures of the sport.

Twelve airlines are said to plan cut in transatlantic fares.

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GETS OWN TOPSOIL

Newton, Iowa.- John Wilson recently built a new home and was facing the problem of getting good topsoil for his lawn. High winds solved the problem for him. The winds moved some of Iowa's best topsoil into roadside ditches and Wilson easily gathered up all he needed for his yard.

HOUSE ON STILTS HIT

Welch, W. Va. An Arcadian man built his house up on stilts to keep it dry. Later, a car ran off the highway, smashed into the stilts and knocked the house twenty feet. Damage amounted to $2,000.

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From where I sit ... *by* Joe Marsh

Junior Gets "Pinned" Down

Junior Baker and friends are all set for their circus. Look for their advertisements on neighborhood trees.

The kids have had problems in staging the event. The biggest was the admission fee. Junior wanted to charge five cents, Mrs. Baker thought it would be much nicer if they charged five *pins*.

So Junior held a meeting with his Directors—then told his mother they'd taken her advice. The ads now read: Giant Circus in Baker's Backyard. ADMISSION FIVE PINS PLUS FIVE CENTS TAX.

From where I sit, that's a nice example of a mighty important point—if you want things to turn out your way, then you had better let the other fellow have his choice, too. For instance, if your taste should happen to run in, say, iced tea... then you owe it to *yourself* to see that those who prefer beer, buttermilk or whatever-you get to enjoy *their* favorite beverages, too. After all, turn about's fair play.

Joe Marsh

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Devotional Reading: Psalm 20.

Nine Letters

Lesson for July 1, 1956

THOUSANDS of Sunday schools for the next three months are going to be studying nine short and immortal letters. These letters are the forgotten parts of the New Testament, for many people. Out of the 27 "books" of the New Testament, all but five are letters. These nine—from Peter to Revelation inclusive—make up about 27 pages or one fifth of the whole New Testament. It would be worth a reader's while to make a special study of these letters this summer. Dr Foreman urges all the teachers in a Sunday school could chip in and buy a commentary or two.

Letters from . . .

Why two people write quite alike. Why letters bear the mark of their writers even when they are unsigned. So it is with these nine. Some of them are signed, some are not. But the writers can be told apart without any trouble. If Hebrews and James were printed together without a break, a high school student should be able to see the difference between them. The writer of the first letter is probably a highly educated man, a man who is keenly interested in Paul and in the history of the three people. The writer of the second is less highly educated, but is a more practical man all around. Note that his advice is any better, he loses no time getting down particular problems. The first is greatly interested in theology, the second is so little interested in it that his letter has worried some people like Luther, for example, who wondered whether it really belonged in the New Testament. Or again, comparing Hebrews with the letters of Paul, the reader can see why scholars are the most part quite certain that Paul never wrote this one. It was obviously written by a different kind of man—one who used a different vocabulary, went at problems differently, constructed a letter differently, quoted the Old Testament is a different way; indeed while all of Paul's letters are carefully signed, Hebrews is not signed at all. . . So one may go through the rest of these letters seeing the writers through what they wrote.

Purpose in . . .

Why letters vary according to the persons to whom they are written. A woman writing to her mother, a husband, the tax collector and a boy at school will write four different kinds of letters. So these nine letters were written to different kinds of people. To be sure, some of them were sent to a pretty large circle of readers (Peter for example), but even so, that wide circle had something in common: in each case, suffering and persecution. It is too much to suggest that the Christians John has in his eye as he writes his letters are much more mature than the Christians to whom James writes certain advice? Now the interesting thing is that the various kinds of Christians to whom these letters were addressed are matched by Christian types today. That is to say, one Christian will sometimes get more out of one part of the New Testament, while another Christian finds more meat in another part. And yet for all the differences there are some important likenesses, and the noticing reader will find them.

Persecution . . .

Some of these letters, or parts of any of these letters, or references in the New Testament, to what we usually speak to some particular problem, situation or trouble. The New Testament does not consist of a series of theological treatises, but is really arranged by topics. Rather, it consists of fairly short letters speaking to certain specific problems that had been distressing the readers. Some of these problems emerged in more places than one at the same time, just as happens today. In the short passages provided for special study in most of the quarterlies, his problems are highlighted, as the reader will find: persecutions, and persecution. In those times in which we live, when all the world in a ferment about Christianity, and even in the "Christian" part of the world there is a withering jangle and wrangle of sects and "isms" soap-boxing all over the place—the Christian is threatened by enemies within and "crackpots" often-times, who can call the New Testament's themes out of

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NEGRO EXTENSION NEWS

By G. L. James, Farm Agent

National Winner

We are proud to announce that the Appomattox 4-H program has produced a Regional winner, Herbert Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Williams, of Route 1, Appomattox, in Red House community. Herbert's project is Soils Conservation. He also carries a beef project cow and calf and pure-bred Duroc sow and litter projects. Herbert was also a delegate to the recently held Short Course at Va. State College, where he received a gold watch as a state winner. He will attend the Regional 4-H Camp in Washington on August 5th to 13th, 1956. This young man has done excellent project work and won several prizes during his six years as a 4-H member.

4-H Short Course (June 18-22)

The 4-H delegates that attended the 4-H Short Course at Va. State College last week, truly represented Appomattox County.

One was elected president of the 4-H clubs of Virginia; another honor was a 2nd placement winner in the State Tractor Driving Contest.

William Forbes, a former State and Regional winner, was elected to serve a two year term as president of the Negro 4-H Club organization of Virginia. William is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Forbes, of Route 1, Pamplin, in Hixburg community. He is the twice-elected president of the Carver 4-H Club of 170 members, and is also president of the County 4-H Council.

The delegates from Appomattox attending the Short Course at Va. State College were:

Girls: Ora Scruggs, of Vera community; Celestine Chambers, of Towerhill community.

Boys: Otis Walker, of Hixburg community; William Forbes, Route 1, Pamplin, and Herbert Williams, of Red House community.

The Leader sponsor attending with the group was Mrs. Theda M. Harris, who has 15-year pin and certificate for voluntary leadership for the 4-H work in Appomattox County.

As a summary statement with relation to the above article: Appomattox clubs have produced four national winners, 5 state winners, and two state 4-H president; 16 county medal winners. We are justly proud of this record.

The United States has rejected a Communist Chinese proposal for a meeting of the two countries' foreign ministers.

Steel output at new high in May and first five months.

Comment On Sports

By Pete Fritchie

Washington.- Baseball writers who have covered the Major Leagues for years were not too surprised when Jolly Cholly Grimm got the boot in Milwaukee recently. The idea th Milwaukee is to win a pennant, and obviously Grim wasn't sparking the Braves to one, in his third try at the helm.

Yet, support in Milwaukee for the team has been all-out. Last year was the big year of disappointment. The Braves couldn't beat the Dodgers—but few teams could. Nevertheless, it's a well known fact that to win a pennant the easy way, you must learn to beat number one team in the league.

The Braves, like the Cardinals, haven't apparently learned how to whip the Dodgers, unless one can call their sweep of a double bill on the day after Grim was released a turn of the tide. It could be.

The Braves looked mightly good to this writer in Florida last year and induced him to pick them as pennant winners. As the reader knows, that was a melancholy choice. The Braves never got off the ground good during the 1955 season and the Brooks waltzed home with the flag.

Obviously, owned Lou Perini made up his mind the Braves would have to go or else Grimm would. Whether he came to that conclusion last year or at the first of this season is immaterial. When the Braves started sputtering around after having held the league lead briefly, Perini called on Coach Fred Haney to take over for the year.

Whether Grimm's replacement will do the trick is to be demonstrated during the remainer of the season. Both Haney and Grimm still have their necks on the line—until the end of September, or thereabouts.

Meanwhile, the Cardinals probably improved their chances in the National League with their big trade with the Giants. The Pirates remain strong. The Dodgers are perking up, too, so the senior loop race should be a good one all the way.

Having Her Troubles

The teacher was having her trials and finally wrote the mother:

"Your son is the brightest boy in my class, but he is also the most mischievous. What shall I do?"

The reluctant reply was: "Do as you please. I am having my own troubles with his father."

ALERT TRUCKER

Portales, N. M.- When a metal led fell and struck a spark, as a truck driver was filling his tank truck from an 18,000-gallon supply tank, fumes burst from the gasoline flowing into the truck. The driver jumped to a valve and cut off the flow. Then he climbed into the cab of the burning truck and drove it a safe distance, jumped out and summoned firemen, who snuffed out the blaze. The driver was unhurt, although a little overheated.

Heart deaths are equal in sexes, pathologist says.

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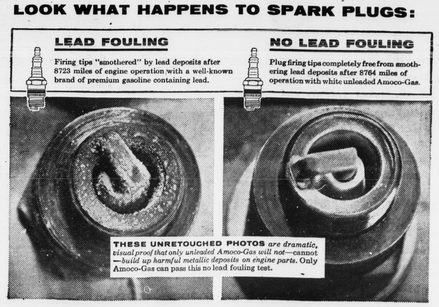

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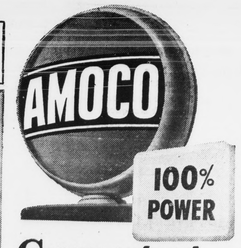

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